

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

1 A security article includes a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an
2 opposing second surface, with the first surface having an embossed region with an optical
3 diffraction pattern or a holographic image pattern. A color shifting optical coating is formed
4 on the substrate such as on the opposing second surface, with the optical coating providing
5 an observable color shift as the angle of incident light or viewing angle changes. The
6 security article can be used in a variety of applications and products to provide for enhanced
7 security measures such as anticounterfeiting.